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Irene Quenville et al. : Confirmation No.: 2124
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Title: STABILITY ENHANCEMENT OF : Attorney Docket No.: P03346
SOLUTIONS CONTAINING
ANTIMICROBIAL AGENTS
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DECLARATION OF DAVID J. HEILER UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132

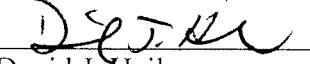
I, David J. Heiler, one of the listed inventors of the invention disclosed and claimed in patent application, serial number 10/725,233, filed December 1, 2003 declare as follows:

1. I am presently employed as a Research Scientist at Bausch & Lomb ("B&L"), and I have been employed at B&L since 1988. On of my primary responsibilities during this time, and to this day, includes the development of next generation lens care solutions.
2. In early 2003, I was involved in the development of "ReNu-2", a next generation lens care solution that contained poly(hexamethylene biguanide) and a mixture of a poloxamine and poloxamer surfactants. See, test solution 1 reported in Table 1, page 14 of the application.
3. Attached to this Declaration is a redacted version of a Record of Invention submitted to the Patent Legal Department by Irene Quenville, a coinventor of the subject matter claimed. The statements made in the Record of Invention are incorporated into this Declaration with the following clarifications: Exhibits 1, 2 and 3 correspond to Figures 1, 3 and 2 of the application, respectively.
4. I reviewed the raw biocidal log reduction data that was used in-part to prepare the graphical representations of that data as shown in Figures 1, 2 and 3 of the application. I have also reviewed Tables 1 thru 11 (attached to this Declaration), which were prepared by Joseph Barrera, a B&L patent attorney, from the biocidal log reduction data. The data

listed in Tables 1 thru 11 is an accurate representation of the raw biocidal log reduction data.

5. For reference, Tables 1, 4 and 8 include the raw and mean initial time data for test solution 1 in PET and HDPE. As indicated by the biocidal stability data, test solution 1 remains biocidal active in the PET container but not in the HDPE container. At three months, there is statistically no change in the biocidal efficacy of test solution 1 in the PET container. In contrast, there is greater than a 50% reduction in biocidal activity of test solution 1 in HDPE. Similar results are indicated with the biocidal stability data at six months for test solution 1 in PET and HDPE containers. There is about a loss of 30% activity of the solution in the PET container at six months. In contrast, test solution 1 is virtually inactive, that is, shows no statistical biocidal activity in the HDPE container at six months.

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